

**A RESOLUTION**

**BY COUNCILMEMBER MARY NORWOOD**

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CITY OF ATLANTA TAXATION AND SERVICE DELIVERY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, City of Atlanta services are directly funded by various fees and property and sales taxes paid by its citizens and business owners; and

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta is responsible for efficiently and effectively expending said fees and taxes to provide essential services including, but not limited to, fire, police, code enforcement and solid waste collection; and

WHEREAS, developing and maintaining municipal service plans, standards, costs, and value is central to a fiscally and qualitatively viable city; and

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta is in the midst of a budget crisis, further compounded by weak state and national economies; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is interested in establishing policies necessary to the development, implementation, operation and management of an efficient and effective City taxation and service delivery program

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: There is hereby established a City of Atlanta Taxation and Service Delivery Technical Advisory Committee consisting of the following members:

The Mayor or her designee;

The President of Council or her designee;

Three (3) members of the public appointed by the Paired Council Districts (Districts 1 - 4 and Post 1 At-Large, Districts 5 - 8 and Post 2 At-Large and Districts 9 - 12 and Post 3 At-Large);

The City of Atlanta Acting Chief Finance Officer or his designee;

A member of the DeKalb County Board of Assessors or their designee;

A member of the Fulton County Board of Assessors or their designee;

A member of the Atlanta Board of Education or their designee;

A member of the Georgia Government Finance Officers Association;

A member of the Association of Government Accountants;

A member of the Georgia Society of Certified Public Accountants;

Two economists selected by the Georgia Bankers Association;

A member of the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association;

A member of the Georgia Municipal Association;

A faculty member from the Andrew Young School of Public Policy, Georgia State University;

A faculty member from the Carl Vinson Institute of Government, University of Georgia;

A member of the Gate City Bar Association;

A member of the Atlanta Bar Association;

SECTION 2: The purpose of the Taxation and Service Delivery Task Force is to conduct work sessions and public hearings to review, study and recommend to the City Council ways to strengthen municipal accountability, taxation and service delivery, as well as cost saving and performance improvement initiatives.

SECTION 3: The Taxation and Service Delivery Task Force shall provide periodic updates to the Finance-Executive Committee and a final report containing findings, suggestions and recommendations to the City Council within 120 days of the enactment of this resolution.

SECTION 4: That all resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.